

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Dear WWVH Residents, Families, Representatives, and Staff:

Through our proactive testing protocols and vigilant self-reporting from staff, we have identified 3 additional employees with positive COVID-19 test results. This brings the total to 6 staff - since April 22, 2022. Currently there are **zero positive COVID-19 cases in residents**.

We continue to follow the most current guidance from the Walla Walla County Department of Community Health, Center for Disease Control, CMS, and the WA State Department of Health to ensure we are doing everything possible to safeguard our residents and staff.

<u>Visitation</u>: No change in current protocols.

Resident Testing: All residents have tested negative and will be retested this week.

<u>Employee Screening, Testing, and Vaccinations</u>: All WWVH staff have been fully vaccinated and are currently being tested for COVID-19 twice weekly. In addition, all staff are screened upon arrival to work each day. The screening process includes a series of questions around whether symptoms are present, whether they've been exposed to a positive case, and a temperature check. Staff are asked to report any symptoms that may present after they arrived at work.

<u>Facility, PPE, Housekeeping</u>: Our Housekeeping, Procurement, and Maintenance departments continue to work seven days a week to assure that the facility is clean and well-stocked with PPE.

You may access up-to-date WDVA COVID-19 data and information any time by visiting the following website: https://www.dva.wa.gov/covid.

Respectfully,

Lonna Leno Administrator Walla Walla Veterans Home